

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

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**WHEREAS**, child abuse and neglect is a complex and ongoing problem in our society, affecting many children in Centre County; and

**WHEREAS**, every child is entitled to be loved, cared for, nurtured, feel secure and be free from verbal, sexual, emotional and physical abuse, and neglect; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of every adult who comes in contact with a child to protect that child's inalienable right to a safe and nurturing childhood; and

**WHEREAS**, Centre County has dedicated individuals and organizations who work daily to counter the problem of child maltreatment and to help parents obtain the assistance they need; and

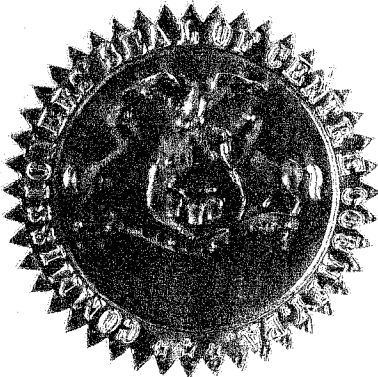
**WHEREAS**, our communities are stronger when all citizens become aware of child maltreatment prevention and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe and nurturing environment; and

**WHEREAS**, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among families, social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community;


**WHEREAS**, all citizens, community agencies, faith organizations and businesses will work to increase their efforts to support families;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of April 2014, to be "Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month" in Centre County.

**ADOPTED** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2014.




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